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Will pay TWO CENTS A BUSHEL more than the Highest Market Price paid by any shipper, in

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Corn to be delivered at D. S. Shellabarger & Co.'s mill, Decatur, Ill.

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Will be found the first arrival of new and stylish Cloths and Cassimeres, Vestings and Overcoatings. Suits or single garments made to order on short notice and fits guaranteed. Two first-class cutters are constantly employed.

J. R. RACE & CO.

Ho! for CHICAGO

Before leaving for the above City, I have concluded to sell my
ENTIRE STOCK WITHIN 10 DAYS, Regardless of Cost!
—AT—
PUBLIC SALE, COMMENCING Tuesday November 26th, At 10 O'Clock A. M.
The Sale will continue from day to day until the entire Stock, amounting to **\$30,000 in Dry Goods IS SOLD.**
S. EINSTEN.
C. A. MINCKLEY, Auctioneer.

FOR CASH.

KEELER, THE HATTER,

Will sell his entire line of
Gents' Underwear, White Shirts, BUCK AND DOBBSKIN GLOVES, HOSIERY, SUSPENDERS, LINEN COLLARS AND CUFFS, LINEN AND SILK HDKFS, NECK WEAR, &C.

IN FACT EVERYTHING EXCEPT.

HATS AND CAPS!

At a Large Reduction for CASH. I propose making a change in my business February 1st, 1879, and will sell my entire line of Furnishing Goods accordingly.

S. T. KEELER,
No. 13 East Main Street.

Dec. 11—d&w/m

LORD ULLAN'S DAUGHTER.

The Facts in the Case Set Forth in Humble Prose.

From the Old City Derrick.

A chieftain to the Highland bound, cries, "Boatman, do not tarry, and I'll give to thee a dollar and a half to row us across the lake."

"Now, who be ye would cross Loch Gyle this dark and stormy night?" asked the ferryman, with much curiosity.

"What is that to you, you bald-headed snipe of the valley?" replied the chieftain growling pale about the gills. "If I pay you a good round sum for your services it appears to me your interest in the matter should end there. Do you require the pedigree of every man, woman or child you take across in your infernal old scow? If it wasn't that I'm in a hurry I'd smack your jaws for your impudence, but as it is, displaying a handful of coin, 'as it is,' I'm the chief of Ulva's Isle, and this—Lord Ullan's daughter. His horsemen hard behind us, and should they overtake us here in the glen it would go hard with us."

Out spoke the hardy Highland wight, while he unlocked his skill and told them to get in. "I'll go, my chief, I'm ready; but considering the terrible storm, I hope you will make it two dollars, although as a matter of fact, I do not venture forth for a mere money consideration, but for your winsome lady. I have been there to some extent myself, and can appreciate the situation, so by my word, the bonny bird in danger shall not tarry. Sit a little more in the middle to trim the boat, please, and here we go!"

By this time the storm grew loud and fierce, the water wraith was shrieking and other things looked most almighty dark. But still as wilder grew the storm, and as the night grew drearer adown the glen rode at least a dozen men with old Ullan at the head on a cream colored mule. "Old haste thee, haste!" the lady cries, "though tempests round us gather, I'll meet the raging storm, but not my angry pa!" So on they rowed amid the roar of waters fast prevailing, and when Lord Ullan reached the shore his wrath was dreadful to behold. And no wonder. For sore dismayed, through storm and shade, he discovered his daughter out in the boat with a smile on her lip, and salt spray in her eye, and both arms around her lover. For a while it seemed that he would take it out of his hired men and the cream colored mule, as he declared he would have the former beheaded as soon as he got home, and the latter he was hammering over the ears with a club. Presently he took another tack: "Come back! come back!" he cried in grief, "across the stormy water, and I'll forgive your Highland boy, my daughter! oh, my daughter! and also settle the bill with the ferryman."

But the young lady could not be caught so easily. Neither could the young man, who told the ferryman to press on, and then turning around in the boat, still keeping one arm about his sweetheart to prevent her falling out, called out to the old gentleman.

"Much obliged for your kind invitation, my dear sir, but we will not come back at present. You can expect us, however, in the course of a week or ten days. 'Till then, adieu!" Lord Ullan called again. "Twas in vain, the loud waves lashed the shore; return, they wouldn't think of it. In fifteen minutes they were on the other side, the ferryman was wondering what he would do with a twenty dollar gold piece, and the young couple were inquiring the way to the nearest justice of the peace."

An Undeniable Truth.

You deserve to suffer, and if you lead a miserable unsatisfactory life in this beautiful world, it is entirely your own fault and there is only one excuse for you—your unreasonable prejudice and skepticism, which has killed the sure Personal Knowledge and common sense reasoning will soon show you that Great August Flower will cure you of Liver Complaint, or Dyspepsia, with all its miserable effects, such as sick-headache, palpitation of the heart, sour stomach and actual convulsions, dizziness of the head, nervous prostration, low spirits, etc. Its sale now reaches every town in the Western Continent, and every doctor and druggist will tell you of its wonderful cures. You can buy a sample bottle for 10 cents. Three doses will relieve you.

Aug 4—d&w/m

Whatever name or designation is given to cause of Fever and Ague, or other intermittent disease, it is always malaria. Eliminate that from the system, and a sure cure is the immediate result. The safest, surest, most effective, and at the same time perfectly harmless preparation for producing this happy effect, is CHERRY'S FEVER-EXPELLER. It represents, in its utmost purity and free from all irritating properties, the immediate principles of the East India Cinchona bark, as grown on the Neighlerry hills. It is the most powerful antidote to malarial poisons, and yet as harmless as water.

J. C. RICHMOND, Prop'r, St. Louis For sale by all druggists. Dec. 15—d&w/m

Ladies' Working Baskets on stands, and without, and other fancy willow ware goods, for presents, you can get at Dec. 18—d&w/m

Coal Coal!—Orders left at the "Furnituro Balcony," Water street, will be promptly attended to. J. H. VERNERHOLZ Dec. 17—d&w/m

J. HUNTER MILLIKIN, COMMISSION MERCHANT.

Office and warehouse, corner Main and State streets, Decatur, Ill. Consignments solicited. All kinds of property stored at reasonable rates. References—J. Millikin & Co., bankers; H. W. Waggoner, County Clerk; A. T. Hill, President First National Bank; J. W. Ulrich, wholesale grocer. Nov. 15, 1878—d&w 2 mos.

Gents' Shawls.—Very cheap, at Linn & Scruggs

Loans.—Private fund of a farm lands. Nov. 30—d&w/m J. M. Crocker.

The Best and Cheapest White Shirts in the city, at Linn & Scruggs' Nov. 23—d&w/m

Men's and children's suits, all prices and latest styles, at

Loans.—Private fund of a farm lands. Nov. 30—d&w/m J. M. Crocker.

Try a sack of Shellabarger's "White Loaf"—new patent process flour Dec. 18—d&w/m

Assignee's Sale.

THE undersigned, assignee of David M. Lewis, bankrupt, will sell at public vendue at the residence of said bankrupt, 4 miles northwest of Decatur, on Wednesday, the 10th day of January, 1879, the following described property, to wit: One Thomas Smithing Horse, 10 years old, 2 three-year-old Horses, 1 four-year-old Horse, 8 sets of Harness, 25 bushels of Oats, 5 Road Scrapers, 1 Steam Engine, 1 Mill, 2 sets of Work Horses, 2 sets of wheels, 1 set of Axes, 11 Shingles, 1 cord of wood, and 1200 bushels of corn in field, to be sold in separate lots.

For particulars apply to J. M. Crocker, assignee, at Decatur, Ill. JAMES D. TAIT, Assignee. Dec. 23—d&w

CAUTION.

NON-REPUTED THE HAVING ICE FROM ROBERT H. MATHIAS, now living in one of my tenant houses on the Riverside Farm, is notified by me, by having no authority whatsoever from me to act in any way. All persons trading, to be valid, must be made with me, or W. M. French, whom I authorize to act for me in this matter, all other acts void and parties making them, must be answerable to me for a breach of this notice.

Dec. 21—d&w B. W. French, Ill.

THE GREAT ENGLISH REMEDY! GRAY'S SPECIFIC MEDICINE

TRADE MARK. It is recommended as an infallible cure for Rheumatism, Gout, Gravel, Neuralgia, Sciatica, Headache, Toothache, Stomachic, and all diseases that follow as a consequence of colds.

Before Taking, or After Taking, OF MEMORY, UNUSUAL, LASSITUDE, PAIN IN THE BACK, DIZZINESS OF VISION, PLEASANTLY AND AND, and many other diseases that lead to insanity, consumption and a premature death, all of which are cured by this simple and effective medicine. The Specific Medicine is the result of a life study and many years of experience in treating these special diseases.

Put this medicine in your medicine chest, which we desire to send free by mail to every one. The Specific Medicine is sold by all druggists at \$1 per package, or by mail orders for \$3, or will be sent by mail on receipt of the money by address.

THE GRAY MEDICINE CO., No. 10 Mechanic's Block, Detroit, Mich. Sold in Decatur, Ill., at DR. A. J. VERNERHOLZ'S Drug Store, (under the drug store) corner VAN BUREN and STEVENSON & CO., CHICAGO, WHOLESALE AGENTS. Dec. 4—d&w

ATTEND!!!

LAMBERT & CO'S

GREAT MARK DOWN SALE

—OF—

DRY GOODS

—AND—

NOTIONS!

WE SHALL still continue to make it to the interest of all cash buyers to visit our place.

Remember!

the late news is conducted in the strictest rule of FAIR DEALING; we endeavor to make our store as RELIABLE that a child may buy goods of us as well as the best posted man or woman.

WE BUY ALL GOODS FOR CASH; and what is equally important, SELL ALL GOODS FOR CASH, and thus keep clear of the rubbish.

CREDIT SYSTEM.

WE SELL ALL GOODS at the smallest possible advance over cost; and after having taught that it is more profitable to sell a large amount of goods at a small profit, than to sell a small amount at a large profit.

THE LARGE CROWDS this popular sale has drawn to our store, and the promptness of our trade, enable us to continue the LOWEST PRICES ON DRY GOODS IN DECATUR.

Not a Dollar's Worth of Old Stock!

But ALL NEW, FRESH, AND DESIRABLE. Save money by buying all your dry goods at

LAMBERT & COMPANY'S

"Popular New York Store,"

18 Merchant St., Decatur, Ill.

Dec. 23—d&w/m

CLOSING OUT!

Having concluded to make a change in my business, I have determined to

CLOSE OUT

[My Large and Well Selected Stock of

STOVES

—AND—

HARDWARE!

—AT—

GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

Call Soon and Secure Bargains.

All persons indebted to me will please call and settle and save cost.

R. C. CROCKER,

No. 9 Water Street. Nov. 27, 1878—d&w/m

Financial Pressure!

THROUGH FINANCIAL PRESSURE, I AM compelled to offer my entire stock of

CLOCKS, WATCHES

—AND—

JEWELRY,

—AT A—

Great Sacrifice!

ELGIN, SPRINGFIELD, AND WALTHAM WATCHES, IN GOLD AND SILVER CASES, for \$10.00 E.V.M. and other goods in proportion. PRICES lower than the manufacturers' prices.

—I WILL—

Sacrifice \$500.00 on my entire stock to any one who means business and will take the whole lot.

H. POST, No. 19 WATER ST., Decatur, Ill.

None Much—All the latest charming, unique and attractive styles of Ladies' Slippers, at Fenn's. Dec. 1—d&w/m

NEW LOCATION. NEW STORE!
AND ANY QUANTITY OF NEW
Holiday Goods!
The Grandest Display in the City,
—AND—
BIG BARGAINS.
Come and see for yourselves. We extend a general invitation to everybody, whether you want to buy or not.
J. M. STOOKEY & CO.,
NO. 12 MERCHANT ST.
Three doors North of Heilmann's grocery store.
Dec. 11—d&w/m

MATSHUSHEK, DECKER.

MERRY

Western Cottage

I have about SIXTY WESTERN COTTAGE and PRESCOTT ORGANS in stock and with my Agents; extra inducements will be offered during the Holidays, and lower prices guaranteed than can be found elsewhere.

C. B. PRESCOTT,
Post Office Block, Decatur, Ill.

THE NEW WHITE!

The most Handsome, Best Constructed, Silent, Rapid, and Light Running Sewing Machine made. **72 PAGES IN THE WHITE MACHINE.** Every machine warranted for three years. I also sell the

Singer, Victor, DAUNTLESS, and NEW AMERICAN.

Call in and try them all and select the one you like best. A full stock of

Supplies & Attachments, FOR ALL KINDS OF MACHINES. SEWING MACHINES REPAIRED.

Geo. P. BLUME,
Opposite the Postoffice, Decatur. Nov. 20, 1878—d&w/m

INBANKRUPTCY—NO. 2260.

In the District Court of the United States for the Southern District of Illinois.

In the matter of Julius H. Vernerhols, a bankrupt.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a petition has been filed in said court by said Julius H. Vernerhols, of Decatur, in the County of Macon, in said district, duly declared bankrupt under the act of Congress of March 2d, 1867, and the amendments thereto, for a discharge and certificate thereof, from all his debts and other claims provable under said act, and that the 26th day of January, A. D. 1879, at eleven o'clock A. M., is assigned for the hearing of the same by the said court, at the United States Court Room in the City of Springfield, when and where all creditors of said bankrupt, and all other persons in interest, may attend and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted. G. M. P. BOWEN, Clerk. W. C. JONES, Attorney for Petitioner. Dated at Springfield, Ill., Dec. 18, 1878. Dec. 20—d&w

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

W. HERRMAN, Milton G. Warren and Victoria E. Warren, of the County of Macon and State of Illinois, by their co-trustees, Trust deed bearing date December 1st, 1873, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of Macon County, Illinois, in book 10, page 10, and in the County of Macon, State of Illinois, the following premises: A certain lot of land, situate in the County of Macon, State of Illinois, containing two (2) acres of land, more or less, and the south fractional half of the northwest quarter of section six (6), Township 36 North, Range 2 West, of the 2nd Principal Meridian, to secure the payment of one principal note for the sum of two thousand dollars, executed by said Milton G. Warren, payable to Charles E. Herrman, on the 1st day of January, A. D. 1879, and interest thereon, with interest payable semi-annually, said interest being secured by interest coupons.

And wherefore, it is provided in and by said deed of trust that, in case of default in the payment of said principal note or coupon interest or any part thereof, then on application of the holder of said deed of trust, it shall be lawful for said trustee to sell and dispose of the highest bidder at public auction at the front door of the Court House, in the City of Decatur, County of Macon, State of Illinois, to the proceeds of such sale, after paying all costs of the proceedings, to pay the amount due upon said note, and the said principal note and interest, with interest thereon, and when and where said sale shall be held on the 10th day of January, A. D. 1879, to the sum of \$2,000.00.

And wherefore, said Milton G. Warren, the holder of said note, has made application to the undersigned and requested him to sell and dispose of the same, and the power contained in said deed of trust.

That therefore, public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of said deed of trust, said the undersigned, will, on Friday, the

TENTH DAY OF JANUARY, A. D. 1879, at eleven o'clock A. M., at the west outside door of the Court House, in the City of Decatur, County of Macon, State of Illinois, sell and dispose of the above described premises, and all the right, title and equity of redemption of said Milton G. Warren and Victoria E. Warren, their heirs and assigns, in and to the above described premises, to the sum of \$2,000.00, and interest thereon, with interest thereon, to the sum of \$2,000.00.

W. HERRMAN, Milton G. Warren, and Victoria E. Warren, Trustees.
December 22, 1878—d&w

ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL.
N. LAUX & BRO., Proprietors.
South side of the Old Square—Decatur, Illinois.
March 15, 1878—d&w

Slippers, Slippers, Slippers, at Barber & Baker's. Dec. 17—d&w/m

W. C. HAMMER, J. E. MOORE,
PUBLISHERS.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.
WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 24, 1903.
MERRY CHRISTMAS.

There will be no paper issued from the office to-morrow, the festivities of the season precluding even the idea of work on that day.

To the friends and patrons of the REPUBLICAN a Merry Christmas.

ADVICE from England yesterday that the heaviest snow fall ever known in that region now covers the ground in some places to the depth of twelve feet. On Continental Europe there is also a great depth of snow, especially in Germany and Switzerland. Railway transportation has come to a standstill.

One of the heaviest snow storms of several years is reported from Canada and the state of New York. The snow is three feet deep on a level at Buffalo, Montreal and Quebec, and badly drifts, causing serious interruption to trade and travel. At last accounts the storm was still raging in the region around Buffalo. The temperature in the meantime is very cold.

"Why is it that you girls are able to go so heavy for presents this year?" inquired an impertinent male acquaintance of a family of daughters in a State street store Saturday afternoon. "Heavy enough," naively replied one of the rosy creatures; "you a business man and don't know the good news?" "No, what?" "Why, that gold has touched ten!"—Chicago Journal.

There have been few better wives and mothers than Queen Victoria, and if any of her eight surviving children were out badly the fault cannot be laid at the door of their Royal mother. Says an exchange: "There never was a more domestic household than the Queen's. Who can ever forget Menzies's charming letter about an evening with her and Prince Albert, on the eve of her departure for the South African war, ending with a visit to the babies asleep in their nursery? The Queen brought up her children very carefully, with early hours, study and sport well balanced, and religious teaching. She was in the school-room every day, and the children were never given liberty to disobey their teachers, neglect their studies, or presume upon their station in any way."

A WASHINGTON correspondent of the Lake-Ocean positively asserts that Congressman Douglas, of Virginia, who died on Sunday morning, "of late years had been very much addicted to drink, and had frequently made unfortunate displays of himself on the floor of the House, having several times been ejected by order of the Speaker. Whisky was the cause of his ruin in private and public life, and finally killed him. Riddled, of Tennessee, was taken home this evening in a condition bordering on insanity, but his friends think he will be restored by rest and medical treatment. Another Southern Congressman is under treatment for delirium tremens." These are serious charges, and indicate a low state of morals among the Southern politicians, even if there were no other or more of their demoralization.

THE Muskogee (Indian Territory) Journal, in discussing the proposition to break up the tribal relations of that Territory, says more patriotically, "Independent men never demanded a recognition of just rights with better credentials than the red men of America, and adds with a sort of war-whoop fervor: "The Indian people have never avowed themselves aliens to the advances of a Christian civilization, but with the realities of a hell, it does not seem reasonable that this despised, injured, and humiliated race will readily allow their shattered strength for the perpetuity of a nation whose boasted principles of justice are stained with the blood of humanity, justice and independence, they request a representation of this nationality until they demand a change." This is given as the story of the "Aborigines on realizing that there is no security, no protection to be had in American justice."

JOHN B. MOORE, of Philadelphia, was in prison for ten years for forging \$100,000 worth of stock of the Union street railway, of which he was president. He was quite a distinguished man, and was honored by his fellow-citizens with various responsible positions, among which was that of President of the Great Centennial Exhibition. He was at one time a candidate for the nomination of Governor of the state. He was the great-grandson of one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. He was well born, and moved in the highest social circles in the Quaker City. His ambition to have been inspired by the same doctrine of the poet:

"And wealth, if possible, was mine; I would have been rich and great, and then I would have been a king."—Shakespeare.

BOB BURDETTE AMONG HIS DESCENDANTS' ANCESTORS.

Bob Burdette recently visited Honocoye Falls, New York, and babbles of it after this pleasant fashion: "If it hadn't been for Honocoye Falls my boy never would have had a mother. Possibly this may have something to do with the surprising loveliness of everything in and about Honocoye Falls. Certainly it was very pleasant for me to come suddenly into the bright, prosperous, beautiful village, and have it receive me with outstretched arms and open heart as its long lost son in law. Coming back to its embrace to see how much I could make out of my wife's relations. It was pleasant to look at the old houses, still standing and apparently good for another century, built by my son's great grandfather, long, long before I had any idea of marrying into my son's family. It was pleasant to hear them talk of the Garretts of former generations, and describe the widespread excitement of the village when, in the olden time, Augustus O. Garrett and his family started for the wilds of the unknown West, and how he wouldn't buy land in Chicago because it was a place of so little promise, and went on down to Peoria in preference. It was pleasant to sit in the parlor of Andrew Young's delightfully homelike old farm house, and hear them talk about my son's grandfather as "Aurea," a boy about thirteen or fourteen years old, to hear Mrs. Earle and Mr. and Mrs. Dixon and the others talk about "Carrie," until I began to feel as though I had lived in Honocoye Falls about one hundred and sixty years, and had a right to pay taxes and grumble at the weather if I wished. I stayed in Honocoye Falls two days and would have remained there all the rest of the winter if my salary would have gone on all the same."

BENEFITS are not always equally distributed. If such were the case we should not hear the plaintive appeal from Idaho, "send us wives," when the adjoining Territory of Utah not only has a wife for every man, but often a dozen of them. There are thousands of stalwart men of strong muscles and good brain who have sought their fortunes in the new Territory, who have been so long separated from society that they now hesitate to break off present associations to go in search of wives. Not that in any measure they would fail to appreciate the blessing, but from habit and timidity—for your frontiersman is often the most timid of men among women—they continue to move along from year to year in single blessedness. There are many localities where women largely outnumber the men, and where life is very hard for the sex with the few avenues of business open to them. If some benevolent persons or organization, would step up and gather in its large class of virtuous and honest maidens and send a few hundred to the pure mountain air of Idaho, we doubt not it would be a blessing to all concerned. If this course is not pursued, the boys of Idaho should have a Congressional permit to invade Utah and settle the case of polygamy in the United States, which they could do very speedily.

LATEST Talmage—"There are men hanging around every store and office and shop who have nothing to do, or act as if they had not. * * * He may have a very soft hand, faultless apparel, and have a high-sounding family name, but his touch is death. * * * It is an outrage for a Christian man to have nothing to do. Let him go out and visit the poor, or distribute tracts, or go and read the Bible to the sick, or take out his New Testament and be making his eternal fortune. Let him go into the back office and pray. * * * The old proverb was right, 'The devil tempts most men, but idlers tempt the devil.'"

It is shown that during the month of November, 1,256,544 passengers were carried by the New York Metropolitan Elevated Railroad, for which the receipts aggregated \$100,521.20. Still the travel by the rival street car lines does not seem greatly reduced, and the new rapid transit corporation is considering the plan of reducing fares to a uniform 5 cents—they being 4 cents or 10 cents at present, according to the hours—the hope being that the increase of patronage will compensate for the reduction by increasing the revenue.

YLANG-YLANG. A large Ylang flower is produced by a large tree, and its odor scents the air for miles around. Dr. Price prepares his Ylang-Ylang Extract from the otto of these flowers, and it is a charming perfume, having a fragrance unlike any other handkerchief extract.

Dennis & Rex have just received one of the largest lots of fine silver plated ware that has ever been offered in this city, consisting of magnificent dinner and breakfast sets, gold-lined cups, table forks and spoons, and a great variety of plated goods too numerous to mention. Those wishing articles for holiday gifts should not fail to examine these splendid goods, as they cannot be surpassed in quality nor discounted in price. (See 7 & 8 Wm.)

Pianos and Organs—"O my, what a beauty!" remarked a lady to her companion as she was passing Locke's Music Parlor yesterday, where he was exhibiting one of those magnificent Grand Upright Pianos, finished with ebony and gold. (See meant the piano, not Locke.) Be sure to see these large, new Chromas by J. M. Stookley & Co. on Christmas Eve. (See 7 & 8 Wm.)

TELEGRAPHIC THAT LOST PACKAGE

IS MYSTERIOUSLY RESTORED.

A NEW CATTLE DISEASE.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The returns of the Union Workhouse in the east of London show wide-spread poverty and distress. Shoreditch Workhouse Infirmary is full; also the workhouse itself, and extra room must be provided. At Bethnal Green Workhouse there are 1,059 inmates, and 382 in the infirmary. In Hackney there are 1,416 in-door poor, chargeable to "Union." The district visitors disclose a vast amount of distress, and the funds at their disposal are utterly insufficient. This is especially the case at Poplar and Millwall, where thousands of dock and other laborers are thrown out of employment. Spitalfields, Limehouse, South Hackney, Shadwell and Haggerston suffer severely. The tradesmen of the entire eastern districts are crying out about the badness of trade, and even Christmas wares are a heavy drug in the market. So severe is the distress in Haggerston that committees will be formed for the relief of cases of extreme necessity, but it will be greatly crippled through want of funds.

The weather is severe throughout Great Britain, there being a heavy snowfall here and in many parts of the Continent. All the railways in the north of Scotland are blocked, and traffic is suspended. Several trains are snowed up. In some places it is over 12 feet high. It is the heaviest snow fall in thirty years.

A telegram from Geneva, Switzerland, says: "No post has arrived from Germany or German Switzerland. The wolves have penetrated to the gates of Metz. There is more snow on the Vosges than the oldest inhabitant remembers."

PRORIA, ILL., Dec. 23.—Ice is about nine inches thick on the lake, and the ice men are busy cutting. If the present cold weather should continue three weeks 60,000 tons of ice will be packed here.

REYNOLDS & Co. killed on Saturday 2,004 hogs. This is the largest number of hogs ever slaughtered by one house in a single day in this city. The packing to date is as follows: Reynolds & Co., 35,000; Pinger & Sons, 7,000; total, 42,000.

The Cunningham whisky case is still grinding away.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—Treasury officers regard resumption as already an accomplished fact. During the past week many persons who sent gold coupons to the Treasury for payment requested that they be paid in greenbacks instead of gold.

Louisiana politicians are confident that the President will, within the next thirty days, make a clean sweep of all the Federal officials in their State, and appoint more pronounced Republicans in their places. Senator Kellogg has been working for some time to bring about such a step.

The Government will lose nothing by the disappearance of the \$10,800 drawn from the Treasury by the Finance Clerk of the city Post Office on Saturday. Postmaster Edmunds being under bonds to make the loss good.

The Republican members of the Blaine investigating committee will press Senator Thurman for information regarding the corrupt use of money at the recent election, and the assessment of Federal office-holders for election purposes. Thurman's friends say that he has no information to furnish, other than that obtained from the public prints.

About one-fifth of the members of Congress remain here during the holiday season. The House Appropriation Committee will hold several meetings and endeavor to perfect one or two large Appropriation bills before the 7th of January.

DUBUQUE, Iowa, Dec. 23.—The river is frozen over tight, teams crossing the ice. The mercury ranged from four to six below zero this morning. The ferry went into winter quarters yesterday, her services being no longer required. A supply of ice for next season's use is already assured. The ice now measures four inches, and is adding an inch every twenty-four hours. The sleighing is fine and the holiday trade is lively.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 23.—The venerable Archbishop Purcell, who has had charge of the Catholic interests in this city for many years, announced that he had written to the Pope asking to be relieved on account of the infirmities of old age. In his remarks he alluded to financial matters, and evidently convinced his hearers that no fears need be felt as to the investments made through him, as they were secure and would be returned in due time.

CLINTON, ILL., Dec. 23.—Some new disease, unknown to the farmers of this region, is now affecting cattle to an alarming extent in Wilson township, DeWitt county. Several of the largest stock-raisers have lost quite heavily in the last few days. The cattle die in about twelve hours after being attacked with the disease. J. K. Davis and Peter Wilson are among those who have suffered.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—The package of money drawn from the Treasury Saturday for the payment of clerks in the city Post Office, and lost by Wm. J. Brown, was recovered this morning. The package was taken to Postmaster Edmunds' residence, and he received it upon promising to ask no questions. Judge Edmunds is of the opinion that Brown had his pocket picked, and is positive the money was beyond Brown's reach, and that he was not a party to the transaction.

The Governor of Kansas had a conference with Gen. Sherman, and is desirous a strong military force be stationed on the southern border of Kansas to hold the Indians in check on the reservations. The General will comply with the desire of the Governor as far as the condition of the army will permit.

PORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 23.—On Saturday J. B. James, a merchant at Alma, Crawford County, and a farmer named Creekmore got into a dispute in James' store over the settlement of an account, which hot words were indulged in. Creekmore drew a revolver and shot James through the shoulder. James reached under the counter, pulled out a revolver, and fired with deadly effect upon Creekmore, killing him almost instantly. James surrendered himself to the authorities.

At a wedding at the residence of Mr. Dickinson, in Scott County, a few days ago, on the occasion of the marriage of his daughter to George Taylor, a crowd of uninvited guests, numbering fifteen or twenty men, assembled and began a regular Arkansas charivari. They were invited in and kindly treated to refreshments, after which they signified their intention to take the bridegroom to the creek, and according to their advanced ideas of civilization, duck him. The brother of the groom interfered and resisted their onslaught, when a general row ensued, in which knives and pistols were freely used. Fortunately no lives were lost, although a number of the party were seriously injured. The bridegroom was not ducked.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 23.—A train, empty passenger, was backing over from Jeffersonville at 6 this morning, collided with a freight train of the Jeffersonville, Madison and Indianapolis road at Prison Station, near the bridge which spans the Ohio River at this place. Pink Schell, engineer of the passenger train, was fatally injured, both legs being severed from the body. The fireman escaped by jumping from the engine. No other persons hurt.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 23.—Philip Cordon, watchman in Coffin, Greenstreet & Fletcher's Pork House, this evening, while walking on the topmost floor of the establishment, slipped and fell twenty-five feet, breaking his neck and dying instantly. The deceased was aged fifty, and was formerly a well-known saloon-keeper.

Curtis M. Long, Messenger for many years for the Western Union, dropped dead to-day from heart disease.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Dec. 23. C. A. Phelps, a former well-known business man of Bloomington, now prominently connected with the grain business in Chicago, and who has been in this city for a few days past in attendance upon a law suit in the McLean circuit court, has suddenly lost his eye sight, becoming entirely blind. His eyes were apparently in good condition, and the sudden loss of sight is hard to account for.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 23.—Judge Drummond to-day confirmed the sale of the Indianapolis, Bloomington & Western R. R. to the first mortgage bond holders, on the 31st of October, at Bloomington, Ill. The Turner brothers appeal to the Supreme Court.

New York, Dec. 23.—The directors of the Mount Sinai Hospital yesterday considered the proffer of \$500 by ex-Judge Henry H. H. of the death of Mrs. A. Stewart, and discussed the communications by mail and telegraph from Hebrews of Cincinnati, advising the refusal of the money. They finally voted, unanimously, that the gift should not be accepted through Judge Hilton, and the Secretary was authorized to write a letter to that effect.

Five members of the Forty-fifth Congress died—Mrs. Welch, of Nebraska; Leonard, of Louisiana; Quinn, of New York; Williams, of Michigan, and Douglas, of Virginia.

An Elegant Assortment of the all-wool Scotch Cashmere Suits, for young men's wear, at B. BRINE'S, Oct. 2—dft The Box Clothing.

Bibles and Testaments, in all styles of binding, from 5 cents to \$5.00, very suitable for holiday presents, at the Bible Depository at R. LIDDELL'S, Dec. 19—dft Court House Block.

Turkeys, Geese, Oranges, Lemons, Nuts, Olives, Buckwheat Flour, Maple Syrup, and everything in the grocery line, at YOUNG BROS., Dec. 10—dft

Bryant's Complete Poems, in four styles of binding, just received at J. M. Stookley & Co's. Dec. 30—dft

Query—"Why will men smoke common tobacco, when they can buy Marlboro Bros. 'Red of North Carolina' at the same price?" (See 1178-dft)

In looking around for a suitable Christmas or New Year's gift, don't fail to see the novelties on exhibition at J. T. Hubbard's drug store, such as beautiful celluloid toilet sets, hair, tooth and nail brushes, full variety of fancy toilet soap, and a complete line of the finest perfume in the market. (See 22-dft)

Skates! Skates!—Buy Barney & Berry's, the only first-class skate in the market, for sale at H. MUKILLAN & Co's gun store, East Main street. (See 28-dft)

Girls' Slippers, in every style and price, at Barber & Baker's. Dec. 17—dft.

CHOICE HOLIDAY MEATS.

The days of holiday feasting are here, and with a view to meeting every want of the public in the line of meats, Blenz & Danzeisen, at the corner of West Main street and the Old Square, have purchased two stall feed beefers—as fine as can be bought in Chicago or any other market—which they will slaughter for the holiday trade, and these, together with some of the best mutton ever shown in the Decatur market, with a full supply of choice pork and veal of superior quality, will furnish an outlay of fresh meats which cannot fail to meet the wants of the most fastidious epicure. This house has also a full line of newly cured side meat and hams, cut from the finest hogs the market could furnish. With this large and very choice supply of meats, Messrs. Blenz & Danzeisen can furnish the tables of all who may favor them with a call with as choice viands as ever graced Decatur tables. Dec. 23—dft

TABERNACLE.

Grand Entertainment Friday Eve., December 27th.

The great thrilling temperance and sensational play in five acts and seven tableaux, entitled "The Drunkard's Home," under the immediate supervision of Prof. Wm. V. Malmberg and lady, of St. Louis, will be produced Friday evening, Dec. 27th, embracing the following well-known ladies and gentlemen of Decatur: H. C. Hartley, of Quincy; R. L. Evans, Theo. Nelson, I. D. Walker, J. B. McDonald, W. C. Bullard, P. R. Williams, E. C. McDonald, J. B. McDonald, Jr., Nettie Solars, Miss Lou Honkle, Mrs. Emma Malmberg. Admission, 25 cents; children, 10 cents. (See 23-dft)

Silk Handkerchiefs, Ties, Bows, Ruchings, Cuffs and Collars, in sets, and with out sets, and lace sets, all fresh new goods, the latest styles, a suitable and useful present, you can find the largest stock at the lowest prices at Goldman's. Dec. 18—dft

Beautiful presents, such as cameo sets for ladies and misses, cameo cuff buttons and rings of all sizes, at W. W. Scudder's, Merchant street. (See 23-dft)

The finest line of gents' underwear in the city, at Elliott & Anderson's. Dec. 23—dft

The New York Herald says of the late Bayard Taylor: "Beyond the age at which literary men are most active, and without the whip of necessity to urge him to labor, he was almost to the last an industrious, painstaking, voluminous writer, always carrying to his work a degree of enthusiasm which many younger men might envy."

Slippers, Slippers, Slippers, at Barber & Baker's. Dec. 17—dft

Men's, boys' and youths' overcoats—best in the market—at dec23&wlm Elliott & Anderson's

FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

Or any Other Days.

ROGER'S

Silver Plated Castors,

PICKLE JARS, single and double; KNIVES and FORKS, triple plate; CARD RECEIVERS; SILVER MOUNTED FRUIT BOWLS;

A new article of solid steel nickel and silver-plated SPOONS and FORKS—very durable; BRONZE and CHINA CARD RECEIVERS;

CHINA MUSTACHE CUPS; MOTTU CUPS and SAUCERS; A great variety of CHINA, METAL, and other FANCY GOODS,

TOYS!

In wood, metal, glass, china, and composition.

DOLLS!

All sizes—china and wax; A Job lot of large WAX DOLLS, at half price;

SLEDS AND WAGONS

CRADLES, BEDSTEADS, GIRLS' ROCKERS, BOYS' ROCKING HORSES; WORK BASKETS, CARD BASKETS, and BASKETS for all most all uses;

SKATES!

Children's KNIVES and FORKS; Elegant Bronze TABLE LAMPS, half price; And hundreds of other ornamental and useful articles that for want of space in the columns of this paper I cannot mention.

ONE WORD MORE—I am determined to reduce my Immense Stock of Goods, and will sell without regard to profit. You can have bargains by buying of

R. LIDDELL, Court House Block. Dec. 18—dft

CLOAKS, Dolmans, Ulsters, Single Shawls, Double Beaver "Velvet "BALMORAL SKIRTS, Felt Skirts, Water Proofs, Ulster Cloth, Circular "Ladies" "Plain Beaver, Rough "Raritan "Matalasse "Cassimeres, Jeans, PLAID FLANNELS, Red "White "Opera "Table Linens, Irish Napkins, Towels, Quilts. Nov. 20—dft



HAYS & BARTHOLOMEW, NO. 25 WATER STREET.

I WILL SELL

MY LARGE STOCK OF

READY-MADE

CLOTHING!

At the VERY LOWEST PRICES FOR CASH.

HOLIDAY GOODS

In the line of Neckties, Handkerchiefs, Suits, Gowns, Hosiery, Collars, etc.—all at lowest prices.

REMEMBER, I WILL NOT BE UNDERSOLD.

Call and see Goods and Prices

OUR MERCHANT TAILORING DEPARTMENT

Is under the charge of a FIRST CLASS CUTTER, and is stocked with a Splendid Assortment of Fine Goods.

PANTALOONS MADE TO ORDER FOR \$5 TO \$8, And other Goods in proportion. Fit, work and material all first class.

I. W. EHRMAN, No. 22 East Main Street.

W. R. ABBOTT,

THE ONLY RELIABLE

JEWELER!

In Decatur collectible trade is packed

GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES.

FINE JEWELRY,

SOLID SILVER & SILVER PLATED WARE,

CLOCKS, SPECTACLES, and FANCY GOODS, Etc.,

AT PRICES LOWER THAN EVER

STOCK AS LARGE AS ANY IN THE CITY

And for superior quality of Gold and Silver Goods, see our list.

THE OLDEST ESTABLISHED HOUSE, AND POSITIVELY THE ONLY EXPERIENCED JEWELER IN THE CITY.

HONEST DEALING, AND THE LOWEST PRICES. EST. 1840.

NO. 9 MAIN STREET. Dec. 3, 1878—dft

NEW GOODS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

W. W. Scudder, the jeweler, at J. T. Hubbard's drug store, Merchant street, has just returned from Chicago with an endless variety of watches, sets of ladies' jewelry, gold rings, scarf rings, napkin rings, silver goblets, gents' gold chains, and elegant necklaces for ladies, etc.—all selected especially for the holiday trade. Charms, from \$10 down. Prices as low as the lowest, and everything just as represented, or money refunded. Call and see goods and learn prices before buying elsewhere.

Beautiful Flower Vases, at J. S. HAND & Co's. Dec. 17—dft

TOYS, CHRISTMAS TREES—A lot of fresh Christmas trees just received at LIDDELL'S.

Wax Candles and Candle Holders, for Christmas trees.

Please select your presents at once before the rush, and have them put aside for you and sent home on Christmas eve by R. LIDDELL. Dec. 19—dft

ATTACHMENT NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, County of Madison, In the Circuit Court of the said County, A. D. 1903.

William J. Brown vs. James M. House and Rosanna House.

Plaintiff vs. Defendants.

Plaintiff vs. Defendants.

Plaintiff vs. Defendants.

Plaintiff vs. Defendants.

TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 23, 1903. CITY DEPARTMENT.

With authority to suspend from office any person who is a candidate for the coming municipal election.

Public Office Notice—The will close for the day at 4 o'clock, the 25th inst. is Monday.

Funeral Notice—The funeral of the late Mrs. M. E. Clark will be held at 10 o'clock, at the residence of the family.

First M. E. Church—The service will be held at 10 o'clock, at the residence of the family.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church—The service will be held at 10 o'clock, at the residence of the family.

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CITY DEPARTMENT.

JOHN A. KWAY has a cash bid for City Marshal for the ensuing municipal election.

Office Notice.—The Post Office will close for the day at 11 o'clock on Thursday, the 25th inst., it being Christmas day.

Office Notice.—The Library and Museum will be closed on Christmas day.

Office Notice.—This evening the following will be in the First M. E. Church, at 10 o'clock, to be followed by a social gathering at 9 o'clock.

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THE FIRE KING.

He Asserts his Supremacy Over the Residence of Judge Gallagher.

This morning about half past eight o'clock an alarm of fire was given, and on rushing out it was discovered that the residence of Judge Gallagher, on North Water street, was on fire. Notwithstanding the piercing cold, the firemen were promptly on hand, and soon had their hose turned upon the building, but owing to the fire being in the roof and ceiling, it was difficult to bring a stream to bear upon it.

It was ascertained that the fire took from a fire near the west side of the house, communicating with the floor of the second story, and also with the ceiling over the chambers, and with the partitions in the second story as well.

The brisk breeze blowing from the west had a tendency to carry the flames from the rear to the front part of the house rapidly, so that in five minutes from the time the alarm was given, smoke was issuing from all parts of the roof, the fire working in between the ceiling and the roof.

For a few moments nothing was done about removing furniture, the firemen hoping that they could stop the progress of the flames, but it soon became apparent that at best the upper story of the house would succumb to the fire. The household goods were then removed with as little damage as possible, while the firemen directed their attention to the subduing of the fire.

Though the fire did not to any great extent break into the lower part of the house, the paper and plastering were ruined by water, so that in fact the house is substantially a total loss, and particularly so as it is in the fire limits, and cannot, therefore, be repaired.

Mrs. Gallagher was sick in the house, having been quite ill for several days. She was carried on her bed to a near neighbor, where she will be made comfortable until rooms can be provided for the family elsewhere.

The firemen did excellent service, and after the battle with the flames was over No. 3 called at the Mayor's office in a body, with their clothing covered with ice, Mr. W. J. Wayne, the fireman, having his hands frozen, and several others of the company having frozen ears and fingers.

The officers of the Hook & Ladder Co., also called, in about the same condition, so far as ice covered clothing was concerned, and made a special request that the citizens of Decatur should remember the valiant service done by the Neptune boys, and show their appreciation of the same by giving them a liberal patronage at their hall to night.

No. 1 and 2 Hose Companies also covered themselves with honor, as well as with ice, and stood nobly by to the end. Chief Dudson was everywhere present, directing the operations of the firemen with the best of judgment, being efficiently aided by his staff, Messrs. J. S. Hewes and L. W. Egan.

A number of the boys were more or less frost bitten, but stood to their work manfully to the end.

In removing goods from the upper rooms several of our citizens incurred more or less danger, and special mention should be made of Mr. E. D. Bartholomew, who rushed into a room where the flames were well already at work and took out Mrs. Gallagher's gold watch and chain and all her valuable clothing.

The house was built in 1871, by Mr. J. P. Smith, and had, therefore, stood on its present site over twenty years, having undergone in that time sundry alterations and repairs.

The loss on the building and furniture is fully covered by insurance in the Home Insurance Co. of New York, in the office of Rogers & Montgomery.

AN UNSUCCESSFUL RAID ON A CHICKEN COOP.—Night before last Dr. R. C. Perkins, who lives at the corner of Macon and College streets, heard a commotion in his chicken coop, some of the birds making an outcry which plainly indicated that they were either frightened or hurt. The doctor stepped to the door as quickly as possible, and on looking out saw a dark figure leaving the coop. He stepped back and seized his pistol, and returning to the door fired away in the direction of the retreating thief. As none of the chickens were missing the supposition is that the first opening of the house door by the doctor alarmed the intruder, causing him to drop his plunder and make good his retreat. The doctor wishes all chicken thieves to understand that his trusty weapon is constantly ready for use, and if any other fellow comes prowling around his premises in the night he will receive a warm reception.

HELEN POTTER AND DOLLIE MILLIKIN.—The Young Ladies Reform Club, as intimated in yesterday's issue of the Republican, have engaged Helen Potter to read at the Tabernacle on Wednesday evening, January 22. This dramatic reader is very highly complimented by the press everywhere. The Philadelphia Enquirer says: "Since the death of Miss Charlotte Cushman there has been country no female elocutionist in this country to dispute Miss Potter's claim to the most distinguished position in that field." That the tabernacle will be well filled on this occasion there can be little doubt. At this time our people will also have the pleasure of hearing Miss Dollie Millikin, the accomplished pianist.

GARRETT'S scarf pins, shirt studs, sleeve buttons—all the latest novelties—at W. W. Scudder's, Merchant St.

A nice Storekeeper and one dozen fine views for \$1, at J. M. Stockey & Co's.

Barney & Berry's Club Skates, at H. Mueller & Co's gun store, East Main st.

DEATH OF AN OLD CITIZEN.

Joseph G. Starr Called to his Eternal Home.

JOSEPH G. STARR died at his residence on West Main street, this morning, of paralysis, aged 56 years and 8 days.

Joseph G. Starr was born in Lewisberry, York county, Penn., December 16th, 1822; came to Decatur with his family in 1850, and engaged in the business of the spring of the following year. In 1870 he took his oldest son, William, in partnership with him. Deceased's wife and three sons, William, Joseph and Harry, survive him. Three sisters of deceased reside in this city—Mrs. R. C. Hanner, Mrs. W. C. Pliner and Mrs. L. P. Bixby. Three brothers reside in the east—Wm. N. Starr, at Ashland, Ohio; Hiram Starr, at Harrisburg, Penn.; and Reuben T. Starr, deceased's twin brother, at the old Starr homestead at Lewisberry, Penn. About the year 1858 Mr. Starr united with the Methodist Episcopal church, in this city, when Rev. R. E. Guthrie was stationed here.

In October, 1877, Mr. Starr received his first paralytic stroke, affecting his right side. In February of the present year he received another severe stroke, and on the 11th inst. he was again stricken, which deprived him of the power of speech and rendered his condition very critical. He was confined to his bed, and yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock a change for the worse was noticeable. He failed gradually, and this morning at 7:20 o'clock passed peacefully away to the Great Beyond.

The deceased was a man of very marked character. If there ever was a man who acted entirely from principle, he was that man. He had well settled convictions upon all questions, and in all his intercourse with the world he was governed and controlled by those convictions, no matter what sacrifice or inconvenience might be the result. He was a humanitarian in the strictest sense of the word, and his whole life was marked by that broad catholicity which grows out of a belief in the universal brotherhood of all mankind. He was the friend of the lowly and oppressed, of whatever creed, nationality or color, and his friendship did not stop with a mere expression of sympathy, but took substantial form when occasion demanded. This same broad spirit permeated his religious belief, and he was accustomed to say that heaven where he could not reach down and help up some one beneath his own level would be no heaven for him.

Naturally of a happy, cheerful disposition, his faith in God and humanity widened and deepened the channel of his affections, and the current of his life ran its course with a placidity that is altogether unknown to those who have less of love towards all mankind. He enjoyed life and its good things, because he believed that they were made to be enjoyed. He had no sympathy with any creed which made his believers morose and melancholy. His religion was one of brightness and sunshine; his political faith was of that kind which decrees equal and exact justice to all, and special privileges to none; his social intercourse was over marked by manifestations of generosity and kindness, and his business relations were governed by those old-fashioned virtues which exalt honesty—not because it is "the best policy," but because it is right. He was a good citizen, and he will be sadly missed.

The time for the funeral has not been fixed yet.

Oyster Stews, Selects, per dozen, 25c.
Fry's, Rawsters, Big C's, per doz., 25c.
Raws, Saddle Bakes, 25c.
Oysters on the Half Shell, Big C's, per doz., 30c, at the Oyster Bay.

THE UNIVERSITY OF S. S. EVERTS.—To night there will be unusually interesting Christmas ceremonies at the Universalist church given by the Sabbath school, consisting of Christmas carols, songs, and other exercises of a literary character. The entertainment will conclude with a grand distribution of presents by "Santa Claus," who will come out of a chimney with his beautiful gifts dangling from his waist and strapped upon his back. All are welcome.

THANKS.—Mr. D. W. Brennan is entitled to the thanks of Young America H. & L. Co. for his kind tender of "some thing warm" after the fire this morning.

By order of the officers.

HAWORTH & SONS yesterday bought the Capt. Allen lot, northeast corner of the park, at trustee's sale. This is a very valuable piece of property, being 11 by 90 feet—large enough for two large store rooms.

The closing in of winter makes an increasing demand for stoves, and everybody should know that R. C. Crocker is closing out his large stock at cost. He has both heating and cooking stoves of the most approved styles, and gives better bargains than ever were had in this city before. The entire stock is to be closed out at the earliest possible date. A full line of hardware also to be sold at cost. Now is the time, and this is the chance for great bargains.

Headquarters for Christmas Candles is at MILLER'S New Confectionery.

MARRIED.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Dasher, corner of South Edward and Macon streets, on Monday evening, Dec. 23, 1878, at 8 o'clock, by Rev. D. P. Baum, M. W. P. SHADE and Mrs. SOPHIA BUSH, both of Decatur.

W. W. Scudder has an endless variety of gold rings for children, gold and silver pencils, and silver butter-knives and teaspoons, selected expressly for the holiday trade. See them, and buy.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

W. C. Johns, Esq., left on the P. L. at 10 o'clock, on legal business.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. P. Zeiss left for Mr. Pulaski at noon to-day. They came over to attend the Shade-Busher wedding.

James T. Saunders, Wash-b cashier at St. Louis, is in the city on special business.

Frank Boyd, who is in the employ of the Wash-b Railroad Company at St. Louis, will spend Christmas at home, and see that the "event" comes off in good style.

Oliver McKenzie came over from Mr. Pulaski yesterday, and will return this evening.

Theo. Nelson, "Dick" Evans and John B. McDonald will take part in the "Drunkard's Home" to be presented at the tabernacle on Friday evening.

Charles Adams gave a royal supper to a small circle of friends at home last evening. The Irish band was there, and all had a very pleasant time.

Shree George Fox left the city Frank Goodwin and Paul Hanner are the handsomest little men in town. "Krimus gift."

Herbert Wacek is "bitching" on the Wash-b as usual, and Joe Woodward is doing likewise on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad.

Weldon Coltrin and Charles Dennis, students at the Illinois Industrial University at Camp, arrived in the city this morning, and will eat Christmas turkey at home.

Capt. M. F. Kanin came in from Quincy last night, and will remain here to-morrow if he is not called out on the road again to ferret out some little or big irregularity in the workings of the mail system.

MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

December Term, 1878.

MONDAY, DEC. 23—AFTERNOON.
Court called at 1 o'clock p. m., and proceeded to dispose of cases as follows: 1. In re D. Delevs vs. John Shea; appellant. Dismissed as per agreement on file.

SATURDAY, DEC. 21.
The People vs. Edward Houston and Michael McGinty; selling liquor to minors. Continued by consent.

The People vs. Jas. W. Clark; keeping house of ill-fame. Recognizance forfeited; set for a new trial.

Same vs. Julius Riechart and Sophia Riechart; selling liquor to minors. Continued by consent.

Same vs. Michael K. Carroll; keeping open tippling house. Continued with alias capias.

Same vs. D. E. Dudson and L. R. Cann; selling liquor to minors. Continued with alias capias.

Same vs. Elmina Miller, alias Elmina Kennedy; keeping house of ill-fame. Same order.

Same vs. Daniel W. Brennan; selling liquor to minors; three cases. Continued with alias capias.

Same vs. Matthew Ruby; same charge; same order.

Same vs. Michael McGinty; same charge; same order.

Same vs. Michael K. Carroll; same charge; same order.

Same vs. Fred Watson; larceny. Recognizance forfeited; set for a new trial, continued with alias capias.

Same vs. David H. Updike and Louisa Humphrey; incest. Continued with alias capias.

Same vs. Thos. Andrews; selling liquor to minors. Same order as above.

Same vs. Frank Day; selling liquor without license. Same order.

Same vs. Thomas Andrews; keeping open tippling house. Same order.

Same vs. Toby Koelme; selling liquor to minors. Same order.

Same vs. Andrew Rothfus; selling liquor to minors. Same order.

Same vs. Thos. Andrews; same charge; same order.

Adjourned to Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY, DEC. 21.
Court called at 8 o'clock. The following cases received attention: Edwin B. Hale vs. Jonathan Fleming et al; distress for rent. Default taken. Court assessed damages at \$200.05.

CHANCERY COURT.
John M. Rainey vs. Michael Platin et al. Motion for set aside approval of report and leave allowed. Leave to file exception to report.

CRIMINAL DOCKET.
The People vs. Tokey Koelme; selling liquor to minors. Defendant arraigned and plead guilty to one count, and entered a plea to others.

The People vs. James W. Clark; keeping house of ill-fame. Motion to set aside forfeiture of recognizance allowed, and case continued.

Adjourned to 14 o'clock p. m.

TELEGRAPH PERSON.
Court called at 11 o'clock, and without transacting any business adjourned to 9 o'clock Thursday morning, Dec. 26th.

CHRISTMAS BEEF.

Imboden & Son have at their meat market some of the choicest cuts from the best steer exhibited at the late fat cattle show in Chicago. Hamilton & Vaquer, of Winchester, Ky., which weighed 2,110 pounds. These cuts from the fat test steer at the exhibition, are a sight to behold, and are well worth calling to see. This firm has also purchased of J. D. Gillett, of Elkhardt, Ill., a two-year old steer weighing 1900 pounds, which they will slaughter for the holiday trade, and also some extra fine cattle from the herd of Mr. Pickrell, of Hartsfield, together with a full line of mutton, pork, veal and all varieties of meats of the best quality. This old and reliable establishment makes it a point to keep the best of everything in their line, and the extensive patronage enjoyed by Imboden & Son shows that their enterprise is duly appreciated by their fellow-citizens.

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" " Butter Dishes,

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" " Salt Dishes, with spoons,

" " Soup Ladles,

" " Gravy Ladles,

